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SEN. LANDRIEU SECURES AGRICULTURE FUNDING

Louisiana projects to receive \$17.8 million.

WASHINGTON – Sen. Mary L. Landrieu, D-La., announced today that \$17.856 million in funding for thirteen Louisiana projects are included in the Agriculture Appropriations bill that passed the Senate Appropriations Committee this afternoon.

“The Louisiana projects included in the Senate bill will help our research institutes and wildlife agencies better support the agriculture community,” said Sen. Landrieu, a member of the Agriculture Appropriations Subcommittee. “Louisiana’s farmers face several challenges today, including increasing budget deficits and continued trade talks that, if successful, would have a crippling effect to Louisiana’s agriculture community.

“When we passed the Farm Bill in 2002, we gave critical support to our farmers and rural communities that are facing growing hardships in this increasingly complex and competitive global market,” said Sen. Landrieu. “While the President’s budget made swiping cuts to an industry that is much in need, the Senate bill is a start at restoring those funds.”

The \$16.8 billion Agriculture Appropriations bill funds the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

The Louisiana projects funded in the Senate Agriculture Appropriations bill include:

- **\$7,115,000 for the Formosan Subterranean Termite Research Program**
- **\$4,000,000 for the Houma Agriculture Research Service (ARS) Sugarcane Research Lab**
- **\$1,495,000 for the Houma (ARS) Funding**
- **\$1,470,000 to the Center for Bioenvironmental Research at Tulane University and Xavier University for the Phytoestrogen Research in Development of Natural Products**

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- **\$1,382,000 to the Pennington Biomedical Research Center for the Human Nutrition Research Center in Preventive Nutrition, Diet, and Obesity**
- **\$706,000 to the Pennington Biomedical Research Center for the Human Nutrition Special Grant for Louisiana**
- **\$563,000 for the Wetland Plants Special Research Grant**
- **\$425,000 to the Louisiana State University Agriculture Center for the Tillage, Silviculture, Waste Management**
- **\$329,000 to the Louisiana State University Agriculture Center for the Aquaculture Special Research Grant**
- **\$250,000 to Lincoln Parish and Union Parish for the Union-Lincoln Parish Regional Water Conservation Project**
- **\$230,000 to Louisiana Tech University for the Louisiana Rural Development Center**
- **\$118,000 for the Blackbird Control Efforts in Louisiana**
- **\$100,000 for the Epidemiological Research on Infectious Diseases on Louisiana Alligator Farm**